

## PIRACY AGAINST U.S. FLAGGED VESSELS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Piracy Against U.S.-Flagged Vessels: Lessons Learned. Testimony was heard from RADM Brian Salerno, USCG, Assistant Commander, Marine Safety, Security and Stewardship, Department of Homeland Security; the following officials of the Department of Defense: Ed Frothingham, Principal Director, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary, Counternarcotics and Global Threats, Department of Defense, and public witnesses.

## BUDGET OVERVIEW

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to hold a hearing on Fiscal Year 2010 Budget Overview. Testimony was heard from Dennis Blair, Director, Office of National Intelligence; and James R. Clapper, Jr., Under Secretary, Intelligence, Department of Defense.

## Joint Meetings

### ECONOMIC IMPACT OF GLOBAL DEMAND ON OIL

*Joint Economic Committee:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine oil and the economy, focusing on the impact of rising global demand on the United States recovery, after receiving testimony from Daniel Yergin, Chairman, IHS Cambridge Energy Research Associates, Washington, DC.; and James D. Hamilton, University of California, San Diego.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the National Institutes of Health, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Missile Defense Agency, 10:30 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 11 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Food and Drug Administration, 2 p.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Government Accountability Office, the Government Printing Office, and the Congressional Budget Office, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010

and the Future Years Defense Program for the Department of the Air Force, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Peter M. Rogoff, of Virginia, to be Federal Transit Administrator, Department of Transportation, Francisco J. Sanchez, of Florida, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade, Sandra Brooks Henriquez, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Public and Indian Housing, and Michael S. Barr, of Michigan, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Financial Institutions, Time to be announced, S-216, Capitol.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine health and product safety issues associated with imported drywall, 10:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Science and Space, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2010 for NASA, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 10:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Economic Development Administration, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine The United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine a new strategy for Afghanistan and Pakistan, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine financial regulatory lessons from abroad, 2 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine executive branch authority to acquire trust lands for Indian tribes, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 417, to enact a safe, fair, and responsible state secrets privilege Act, S. 257, to amend title 11, United States Code, to disallow certain claims resulting from high cost credit debts, S. 448 and H.R. 985, bills to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media, the nominations of Thomas E. Perez, of Maryland, to be Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, David F. Hamilton, of Indiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, Andre M. Davis, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, and committee's subcommittee assignments, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* to hold hearings to examine the role of small business in stimulus contracting, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* business meeting to markup pending legislation, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Stephen Woolman Preston, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency, and Robert S. Litt, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.